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IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF DUCHESNE COUNTY

STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF THE GENERAL DETERMINATION OF ALL THE RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER BOTH SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND WITHIN THE DRAINAGE AREA OF THE UINTAH BASIN IN UTAH

ORDER APPROVING THE 2001 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT, 2002 BUDGET AND APPOINTING THE 2002 RIVER COMMISSIONER FOR THE LAKE FORK AND YELLOWSTONE RIVERS

Docket No. 3070 Judge John R. Anderson

This matter came before the Court on the PETITION TO APPROVE 2001 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT, 2002 BUDGET AND SCHEDULE ASSESSMENTS, 2002 SCHEDULE OF DISTRIBUTION AND REQUEST TO APPOINT THE 2002 RIVER COMMISSIONER FOR THE LAKE FORK AND YELLOWSTONE RIVERS, filed by Lynn Burton, Chairman of the Committee for the Lake Fork and Yellowstone River, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §73-5-1 et. seq., petitioning the Court to approve the committee's 2001 report, 2002 budget, appoint a River Commissioner for 2002, authorize it to appoint an interim River Commissioner and approve its 2002 Schedule of Distribution of Waters of Lake Fork and

Yellowstone Rivers. The Court having considered the matter, notice having been given to affected parties, and the Court being fully informed in this matter, enters this order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

- 1. That the 2001 report of the administration of the waters of the Lake Fork and Yellowstone Rivers is approved, as submitted and filed herewith.
- 2. That the 2002 budget, with schedule of assessments, is approved, as submitted and attached hereto as "Exhibit A".
- 3. That William Christensen is appointed to serve as River Commissioner of the Lake Fork River, Yellowstone River, and Sand Wash Creek, for a period of one (1) year.
- 4. That the Committee for the Lake Fork and Yellowstone Rivers is authorized to appoint a temporary replacement should the River Commissioner be unable to complete the one (1) year term.
- 5. That the proposed 2002 Schedule of Distribution of Waters of the Lake Fork River, Yellowstone River, and Sand Wash Creek is approved, as submitted and attached hereto as "Exhibit B".
- 6. That the following provisions set forth in the 1998 Interim Order be reaffirmed and made effective for the year 2002:
- a. That the River Commissioner be directed to distribute the water of the streams and reservoirs involved in accordance with this Court's Interim Order and to do all things necessary for the

proper and correct measurement, diversion and distribution of said waters, in accordance with the Decrees of the Federal District Court and state laws.

- b. That the River Commissioner is directed to confer with the committee in developing a schedule for distribution of water, specifically, the manner in which the waters of the Lake Fork and Yellowstone Rivers, and their tributaries, should be distributed, after consultation with the State Engineer, and shall submit an annual Interim Distribution Order to this Court for its consideration.
- c. That the River Commissioner is directed to deliver and distribute the waters of such non-Federal water rights in the Lake Fork River, Yellowstone River, and Sand Wash Creek, in accordance with the proposed Schedule of Distribution, attached hereto as "Exhibit B".
- d. That the waters for the Federal and non-Federal water rights be distributed in accordance with the terms and limitations of the 1923 Federal Court Decrees in cases numbered 4437 and 4418.
- e. That the River Commissioner is instructed to work with the committee to prepare a recommended budget for the next year. Said recommended budget is to contain assessments to be made, monies to be received, along with a report of expenditures.

- f. That the River Commissioner is authorized to manage the budget, to implement the ordered assessments and collection of assessed amounts from the non-Federal water user organizations or water users, and request assessment and collection from the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Uintah Indian Irrigation Project, in accordance with the approved budget and schedule of assessments.
- g. That any person or entity, that is a water user in the subject rivers, or otherwise affected by the actions of the River Commissioner, may petition and appear before this Court (about the assessment amounts, the manner in which the water is distributed and/or any other claim relating to the distribution of water). In the event there is a violation of the Court's Order or any part of this Petition or, in the opinion of the River Commissioner, the occurrence of the unauthorized use of water, the River Commissioner is directed to recommend to this Court a solution to the problem, including any remedy to be imposed on the unauthorized water user or violator of the Order.
- h. That if a non-Federal water user fails to pay any assessments levied, when due, that water users further use of water be prohibited.

DATED this 28 day of MW , 2002.

BY THE COURT Anderson

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Lake Fork and Yellowstone River Commissioner's 2002 Budget

Salary	\$ 34,600.00	
Mileage	\$ 3,200.00	
F.I.C.A.	\$ 2,650.00	
Workers' Comp. Ins.	\$ 1,000.00	
Unemployment	\$ 20.00	
Office Supply	\$ 100.00	
Association of Water Users1	\$ 1,375.00	
Recorders, Repairs, etc.	\$ 2,000.00	
Publish Annual Report	\$ 125.00	
Phone	\$ 400.00	
Office O & M	\$ 750.00	
Property and Misc.	\$ 110.00	
Retirement	\$ 2,000.00	
Legal Fees	\$ 600.00	
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Expense Total	\$ 48,930.00	
Funds on hand		\$38,413.54
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FUNDS ON HAND		\$87,343.54

 $^{^{1}\}mathrm{The}$ committee has elected to utilize the services of the Associated Water users Association of the Lake Fork and Yellowstone River drainage for secretarial work, as well as, the collection of assessments from their members.

Lake Fork and Yellowstone River Commissioner's 2002 Schedule of Assessments

Funds on hand at the beginning of the year carried forward from unused 2001 budgeted funds

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Crystal Ranch	\$ 0.00
Dry Gulch Irr.	\$ 23,621.45
Farnsworth Canal & Irrigation	\$ 7,118.83
Hansen, Gordon	\$ 22.51
J. Bruce Hartman	\$ 98.84
Lake Fork Irrigation Co.	\$
Lake Fork Western Irr. Co.	\$ 1,976.77
Lusty Cattle Inc.	\$ 8.32
Monarch Can. & Res.	\$ 97.37
Rowley Ditch	\$ 0.00
Sandwash Irr. Co.	\$ 555.84
South Boneta Ditch Co.	\$
T. N. Dodd Irr. Co.	\$ 178.59
Uteland	\$ 743.74
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Total Assessments	\$ 48,930.00

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MAILING CERTIFICATE

I, Cheree Brotherson, am employed by the office of McKEACHNIE, ALLRED, McCLELLAN & TROTTER, P. C. attorneys for Petitioner herein and hereby certify that I served the attached ORDER APPROVING THE 2001 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT, 2002 BUDGET AND APPOINTING THE 2002 RIVER COMMISSIONER FOR THE LAKEFORK AND YELLOWSTONE RIVERS by placing a true and correct copy thereon in an envelope addressed to:

LYNN BURTON
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
STAR ROUTE BOX 140
TALMAGE, UT 84073

WILLIAM R. MCCONKIE OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR 125 SOUTH STATE STREET SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84138

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and deposited the same, sealed, with first class postage prepaid thereon, in the United States mail at Roosevelt, Utah, on the 29th day of May, 2002.

CHEREE BROTHERSON